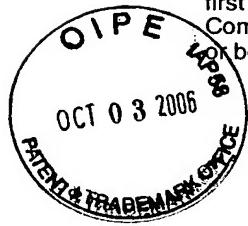


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED 28 June 2006

Dear Sir:

Attorney for Applicant in the above-captioned application hereby responds to the Office Action mailed 28 June 2006. At the time the Office Action issued, claims 1 to 8 were pending.